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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: EMBOFF MADE FOLLOW-UP TELEPHONE CALL TO TECHNER OF LEGAL SECTION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TO INQUIRE ABOUT CURRENT STATUS OF GDR CON-SIDERATION OF SUBJECT CONVENTION. TECHNER TOOK QUESTION AND CALLED BACK FOLLOWING DAY, APRIL 2, TO REPORT THAT INTERNAL CONSIDERATION WAS STILL TAKING PLACE BUT THAT DECI-SION ABOUT POSSIBLE GDR ACCESSION WOULD BE MADE ABOUT THE END OF MAY OR EARLY JUNE. WHEN EMBOFF EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT DECISION WOULD TAKE ADDITIONAL TWO MONTHS, TECHNER STATED THAT INTERNAL CONSIDERATION IS OFTEN TIME-CONSUMING, PARTICULARLY WHERE POSSIBLE CHANGES IN GDR LAW MIGHT BE ENVISAGED. EMBOFF THEN ASKED IF CHANGE IN GDR LAW HAD TO BE APPROVED BY THE VOLSKAMMER. TECHNER BACKED OFF BY SAYING THAT HE THOUGHT DECISION IN THIS CASE WAS FOR GOVERNMENT TO MAKE AND WOULD NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HAVE TO BE APPROVED THROUGH LEGISLATION BY THE

VOLKSKAMMER.

- 2. TECHNER STRONGLY IMPLIED THAT DECISION WOULD BE FAVORABLE TO GDR ACCESSION. END UNCLASSIFIED.
- 3. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE: COMMENT: IMPRESSION OF COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE DURING FIRST MEETING WITH TECHNER ON THIS SUBJECT (REFTEL) WAS SUSTAINED BY THIS ADDITIONAL CONTACT. AS BEFORE, TECHNER PROMISED TO INFORM THE EMBASSY AS SOON AS GDR DECISION IS MADE. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. COOPER

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